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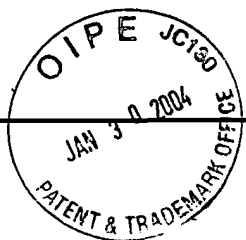
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<b>COMBINED AMENDMENT &amp; PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)</b>	Docket No. IDS-14402/14
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In Re Application Of: **Venegas, Jr.**

Serial No. <b>09/829,032</b>	Filing Date <b>April 9, 2001</b>	Examiner <b>Schulterbrandt</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3632</b>
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Invention: **PORTABLE SIGN SUPPORT APPARATUS**



TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 28, 2003 in the above-identified application.  
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    
☒ Two months    
☐ Three months    
☐ Four months    
☐ Five months

from: November 28, 2003                      until: January 28, 2004  
Date Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	6 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	3 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00	
FEE FOR AMENDMENT						\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME						\$210.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME						\$210.00

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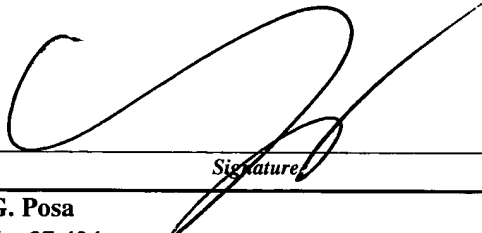
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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$210.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of **\$210.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **07-1180**
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **07-1180**

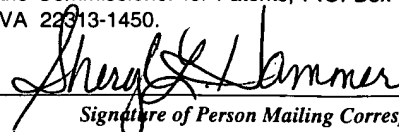


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Dated: **Jan. 28, 2004**

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Venegas, Jr.

Serial No.: 09/829,032

Group No.: 3632

Filed: April 9, 2001

Examiner: Schulterbrandt

For: PORTABLE SIGN SUPPORT APPARATUS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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